



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 647

January Session, 2013



AN ACT CONCERNING VOTING BY MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY SERVING OVERSEAS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the State, in
2 consultation with the Military Department, shall develop a method for
3 returning any ballot issued pursuant to section 9-153e or 9-153f of the
4 general statutes that (1) may be used by any elector or applicant for
5 admission as an elector who is a member of the armed forces and
6 expects to be living or traveling outside the several states of the United
7 States and the District of Columbia before and on election day, or such
8 member's spouse or dependent if living where such member is
9 stationed, (2) gives due consideration to the interests of maintaining
10 the security of such ballot and the privacy of information contained on
11 such ballot, and (3) guarantees the immediate receipt of such ballot if
12 such method is properly utilized by such member or such member's
13 spouse or dependent prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the
14 election or primary. Not later than January 1, 2014, the Secretary of the
15 State shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the
16 general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General
17 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections and
18 veterans' and military affairs describing such method and any
19 legislative changes necessary for its implementation.

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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A reference to section 9-153e was added for accuracy.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst.*